COUNTESS CLANCARTY DEAD. WAS BELLE BILTON, LONDON

MUSIC HALL SINGER. Marriage With Lord Dunle Turned Ou

Happily After Collapse of Divorce Suit -He Succeeded to His Father's Title in 1891-She Sang at \$500 a Week. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Dec. 31.-Countess Clancarty; etter known, perhaps, as Belle Bilton, an ex-music hall singer, is dead at the age of 38 years. Her marriage in 1889 at a registry Mcs to Lord Dunlo, who succeeded his father, the Earl of Clancarty, in 1891, caused a sensation in society. The marriage proved to be a happy one.

Belle Bilton began dancing and singing as a little girl at the Woolwich Barracks, where her father was a sergeant of artillery mother had taken part in the little tour theatrical affairs at the army post is or ught her two daughters, Belle and up in a singing and dancing atmosfere. When the two girls were still in

They attracted no attention whatever nd were considered not much as dancers and a whole lot less as singers, until Vis count Dunlo, the eldest son of the Earl of Clancarty, became attentive to Belle Even then, London wasn't much concerned over the singer, but when she married acount Dunlo in 1889 a number of curious nable folk were attracted to the ausic halls where she appeared, and she began to be talked about.

achieved more notoriety by rebrought by her husband. He named Isidor Wertheimer, a young bric-à-brac dealer, as corespondent. The trial proved a farce, Lady Dunlo proved conclusively that the charges against her were untrue. At conclusion of the case Lord Dunlo took concert hall bride in his arms and asked be taken back. He said that he brough he action because his father had cut him

All this served to get Belle talked about, and London fell all over itself in crowding study music halls to see her dance and sing in an absurd burlesque called "Venus" that ould have needed the protection of a net insome parts of this country. Belle Bilton. horaver, was making \$500 a week, a remaratble salary for her kind at that time in London, and drove to and from the the res in the gaudiest turnouts ever seen in the city. When her titled husband ean't handy young Wertheimer rode in he tawdry equipage with the singer, and ome folks were mean enough to refer to he divorce proceedings as a "put up job." When the Earl of Clancarty died in 1891 elle Bilton became a peeress and retired for the music hall stage. Four children, hree boys and a daughter, were born to he Earl of Clancarty and his music hall

THERAL OF A. J. CASSATT. Lack of Pomp and Display the Feature -Provisions of His Will.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31.-With ceremonies of the simplest character and an entire absence of pomp and display the body of att was to-ds owered into a grave in the cemetery ading the Church of the Redeemer at

winter rain that beat upon the coffin lid were twoscore men famed in transportation and finance throughout the country and the world.

J. Parker Shortridge, dean of the directors of the Pennsylvania Railroad, a lifelong friend of the dead president, scattered the first handful of clay over the coffin. Mempers of the Cassatt family took a last look into the open grave and the mourners

Not a word of eulogy was spoken at th ervices either at the house or the grave This was the wish of Mr. Caseatt. The family had expressly urged that no flowers be sent, but the President and Mrs. Roosevelt led in disregarding this notice by sending a large wreath of white hyacinths.

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Many other magnificent floral tokens were sent to the house and were taken to the cemetery, where they were piled upon the fir covered mound just beyond the grave, transforming it into a garden.

A few hours after the return of the family from the Bryn Mawr churchyard the members were apprised of the terms of Mr. Cassatt's will. It was said that its exact terms would not be announced in advance of its being offered for probate, but it can be said that the estate exceeds \$7,000,000 and that, outside of Mrs. Cassatt's life interest, Robert Kelso Cassatt, his son, will get the bulk of the estate. Bequests are made to Major Edward B, Cassatt, a son; J, Gardiner Cassatt, a brother; Mrs. W. Plunkett Stewart; Miss Mary Cassatt, a sister; his two daughters and the grand-children. The daughters receive bequests in inverse proportion to their husbands' wealth.

Mr. Cassatt's stock holdings in various ailroads pass entirely to the possession of sobert K. Cassatt, who was interested with his father in many of the investments and

his father in many of the investments and who has made a study of the railroad and coal business.

After the interment two guards were placed at the grave. These will watch it night and day for two weeks. It is said that after two weeks the body will be disinterred and placed in a secure vault.

It is now certain that James McCrea will be elected president of the Pennsylvania Railroad by the directors at their meeting on Wednesday. When he assumes charge it is said there will be an upheaval. He has been bitter against some of Mr. Cassatt's personal staff ever since the graft revelations before the Interstate Commerce Commission. William A. Patton, Mr. Cassatt's sasistant, who it was shown had much gift stook, it is said will resign. There will be other removals from Froad Street Station, for McCrea wants to be surrounded by his own personal staff.

TOO POOR FOR A FUNERAL d All They Could Think of Was to Leave the Baby in the Street.

Charles A. Gassert and his wife, Agnes, ere arrested yesterday at 1289 Amsterdam enue and locked up at the East 104th reet station house charged with violating

sanitary code by leaving a dead body he street. The Gasserts are the people se baby was found in a perambulator linety-ninth street and Third avenue December 1. There was quite a stir it until it developed that the child died dural death.

assert has been in Englewood. The segot him when he came over to visit wife, who, under the name of Anna has been working as a waitress. They sained that they had been ejected from rooms on the morning of December 1, day the baby died, and that they had 25 cents. They couldn't think of any out but leaving the body on the street.

FRIENDLIER WITH GERMANY. Prof. Muensterberg. Who Has No Secret Mission, Tells the Reasons.

Special Cable Despatch to TER SUN.
BERLIN, Dec. 31.—In an interview to-day Prof. Muensterberg of Harvard Univer-sity said that lately there has been a marked change for the better in the relations be ween Germany and the United States. The condition was due to three causes First, the popularity of Baron Speck von Sternburg, the German Ambassador, especially his close familiarity with President Roosevelt; secondly, because affairs relating to America are now handled in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs here by Herr Busch, who for many years was see retary of the Legation at Washington, and third, the growing antagonism between

Formerly Americans believed that the next nation they would have to meet in war was Germany. Now the Californian question, the Philippines and the Sandwich Islands all offered points of friction, which might easily have serious consequences. The present, however, would be very unfavorable time for America to go to war, he thought, for the work at Panama was not ended and the American fleet was not complete.

Prof. Muensterberg suggested that the sending of James Bryce to America as the Ambassador of Great Britain was likely to render Baron von Sternburg's task there more difficult, inasmuch as Mr. Bryce enjoyed the sympathy of all Americans, and must shortly take a foremos place in diplomatic life in Washington while Baron von Sternburg's knowledge of American conditions cannot be so intimate as to place his personality on a leve with that of the author of "The American Commonwealth."

The professor declared that the reports that he was intrusted with a secret mission to the Kaiser with a view to the conclusion of a secret treaty between Ame and Germany was pure fancy. He added that the Kaiser wanted to learn only from an unofficial source the state of public opinion in the United States regarding Germany.

CUBANS WANT PROTECTORATE. Bankers Won't Lend on Sugar Crop if U. S. Gives Up Island-Bandits in Pinar.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. HAVANA, Dec. \$1 .- Partisans of the protectionist movement declare that a petition signed by 200 property owners is to be sent shortly to Secretary of War Taft asking for the establishment of a protectorate. The signers are located in Remedios, which is a large tobacco centre.

The petitioners also declare that the appointment of a commission to draw up laws has caused uneasiness among the bankers of Cienfuegos, who may refuse to loan money. Nevertheless, some persons consider that the appointment of this commission is not necessarily indicative of the speedy handing over of the government to the Cubans. Some think that it was partly a move of

the Government to give employment to influential politicians. A banker of Havana declares that he will not advance a dollar for sugar raising after June, 1907, unless the United States shows that it intends to guarantee peace in Cuba A gang of bandits, variously estimated to

number from two to twelve, is reported at Guane, Province of Pinar del Rio.

RUSSIAN OFFICIALS DOOMED. Police Find List of 27 Men Marked by

Terrorists -4,000 Suspects. . Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN St. Petersburg, Dec. 31 .- Searches by

the police in this city and in Moscow revealed lists containing the names of twenty-seven of the highest functionaries who have been condemned to death by the revolutionaries. The Novoe Vremya publishes a sensational

report of a plot against high Government officers who were about to meet to discuss inancial matters. The plot was discovered through suspicions that were aroused by nquiries over the telephone as to the hour at which the meeting would adjourn. The officers of the guards are studying a list of 4,000 persons of the educated classes who are under suspicion and the League

of the Russian People, otherwise known as the Black Gang, has another list, containing the names of 750 other persons. It is charged that the Black Gang has offered a reward of \$350 for the asse tion of Prof. Meliukoff and Joseph Hossen; both leaders of the Constitutional Dem crats.

CONFUCIUS A GOD. Curious Concession of Chinese Court

Christian Students.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN PEKIN, Dec. 31.—Confucius, who despite the 2,400 years of reverence for his teachings has never been worshipped personally as a deity, has been promoted by imperial edict to the dignity of a god. The same rank as eaven and earth is given to him, which, in the Chinese system of religion, form a dual personality, with the attributes of the ne god ruling the lower world. They are worshipped, however, only by the Em-

Confucius, who never arrogated to him-self divine attributes, is now deified, ac-cording to general belief, for a curious reason, namely, in deference to the religious cruples of the Christian students at the Government colleges, who object to complying with the custom of kotouing to the nemorial tablet to Confucius, which is placed in all such institutions.

CASH UNDER AN OBELISK.

Money and Documents Found Where French Troops Entered Madrid.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.
MADRID, Dec. 31.—While removing to-day the obelisk marking the spot where the French troops entered the city in March, 1808, some workmen discovered a large iron bound casket in a much decayed condition, which on being opened was found to contain 500 gold doubloons and onzas, valued at \$7,000, and also a number of faded and discolored documents which are believed to be of historic value.

Mayor Fagan to Give 1,000 Pecketbooks to Women Callers.

May or Mark M. Fagan of Jersey City will hold his sixth New Year's Day receiption at his office in the city hall between 1 and 3 P. M. to-day. The first 1,000 women to call will receive as souvenirs brown or black seal pocketbooks, each containing a brand new 1906 cent for luck. Flowers will be distributed among the women who call

All Deerfoot Farm Sausages are made at the Farm, in Sauthboro, Mass. Their success is owing to the choice materials and the neatness and cleanliness of 0 'preparation.—Ass.

FINANCES WORRY ENGLAND.

REACTION FROM AMERICAN OVER-SPECULATION FEARED.

Business Situation Otherwise Cheerful Eve of New Year-Outlook for Peace in Europe Excellent-Municipal Trading Seems to Be Near a Collapse.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Dec. 31.-The tone of the New Year prognostications in the English cress is not quite so optimistic as usual. Most of the writers bid farewell to 1906 without much regret. It is described as having belonged politically; commercially and financially to a transition period which is not yet ended. Its political history is regarded as having been satisfactory from an international viewpoint, but it is pointed out that the great readjustment of the Powers which is under way is not yet completed and that the present situation consequently is not devoid of risk.

It is regarded as a most hopeful sign that Italy has announced, in assenting to renewal of the Triple Alliance, that it must be understood that the compact can not in any circumstances be interpreted as imposing any obligation to take a hostile attitude against England or France. This of course amounts to depriving her com-

pact with Germany of all force in war. The new year will probably witness a clearer development of the Anglo-French-Italian entente, which was announced by THE SUN two months ago, and then the outlook for peace in Europe will become nore assured.

In regard to domestic politics nobody in England seems satisfied with the record of the old year or the prospects of the new. significant change in public sentiment s the rising tide of revolt against municipal extravagance throughout the country, especially in the direction of unsuccess experiments at municipal trading. The enormous increases in local taxation and municipal indebtedness have excited genuine alarm, and the new year will witness sharp reaction in England.

Commercially England has been pros perous during the last year, but great neasiness is expressed over the dangers of the financial as distinct from the commercial situation. Nearly all the writers on this point seem to agree that America is the danger point. They harp upon overspeculation in the United States and the peril which it involves.

Of the monetary outlook, aside from that, the consensus seems to be that the busness prospects for 1907 are the brightest.

THE PRESIDENT RETURNS. He and Mrs. Roosevelt Back From Their

Outing at Pine Knot, Va. WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The President and Mrs. Roosevelt returned to Washington tonight from Pine Knot, their lodge in Alberle county, Va., where they have been having a holiday with their children since last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt left North Garden station on the Southern Railroad at 5 o'clock this afternoon on a special train and came into the station in Washington at exactly 9 o'clock. The President's special was delayed about thirty minutes on account of

Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., Kermit, Quintin and Miss Ethel Roosevelt and her guest, Miss London of New York, returned last night. Archie remained behind for another day of rabbit hunting and came home with his father and mother to-night. M. C. Latta, Assistant Secretary to the President, and Dr. P. M. Rixey, Surgeon-General of the navy, who accompanied the President, also

returned on the special.

The President looked full of enthusiasm and vigor when he stepped from his car, and Mrs. Roosevelt was smiling. Both of them enjoyed the trip. Just after the President, Mrs. Roosevelt and Archie were seated in the carriage the latter remembers. President, Mrs. Roosevelt and Archie were seated in the carriage the latter remembered that he had left his shotgun in the car, and the carriage waited five minutes while the footman went back, found the gun and returned it to the owner, who smiled triumphantly and held it across his knee as the carriage started for the White House. While the search was being made for the gun the President amused himself by patting a small black and tan terrier that Master Archie had in his lap. This dog was Skip, the bear hunter which Jake Borah gave to the President in Colorado last year.

Jake Borah gave to the President in Colorado last year.

The President did no shooting during his outing. Some interesting stories of his quest for turkeys which appeared in the newspapers were denied absolutely. The President rode and walked a great deal and this was the only recreation he took. The Roosevelt boys shot a number of neabits, but brought back none of the trophies of their marksmanship.

of their marksmanship.

There were only a few people in the station when the President arrived. Capt. McCoy, military aide at the White House, and two Secret Service officers were the only persons to meet the Presidential party. There was no demonstration.

HE LOVED FEMININE FINERY. Philadelphian Charged With Houses So He Could Steal Lingerie. PHILADELPHIA; Dec. 31.—Because he

loved women's clothes, the police say, George Steffan of Manayunk set fire to houses and stole the fluffy things toward which his desire ran during the excite-

Steffan was held without bail to-day charged with fifty cases of arson. Charged with fifty cases of arson.

His motive for starting the fires puzzled the police until detectives located his room. Then the mystery solved itself, at least to the satisfaction of the police. In a valise big enough to be a trunk the policemen found ten dresses, five dozen pairs of women's openwork stockings, three dozen pairs of women's white stockings, one dozen pairs of women's white stockings, one dozen pairs of women's and children's stockings of all colors, eleven consets, two dozen pieces of lingerie adorned with pink ribbons, two dozen hose supporters, one pink wedding dress and three pairs of high heeled slippers.

Under the third degree the police say Steffan confessed.

His fondness for women's clothes, he said, was irresistible. "Please don't take them away from me; those fluffy things are my only pleasure," pleaded Steffan.

Steffan's right name, he said; is Lucius Milton Moody. His wife, Margaret, got a divorce from him in Cleveland on January 16 of this year.

Mrs. Moody got the divorce because her husband was too fond of dressing himself in feminine finery. He always wore women's garments under his masculine street clothes. His motive for starting the fires puzzled

Stricken in Broadway. David Green, 70 years old, an English

raiter living at 200 West Forty-sixth street, was seized with heart failure while crossing Broadway at Pine street last evening. He died in the ambulance on the way to the Hudson street hospital.

After all, Usher's the Scotch ade the highball famous.—Ade.

NO FREE PASSES AFTER TO-DAY. DISCONTENT That Provision of Rate Bill and the Pure Feed Law Ge IntelEffect.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.-It will be unlaw-

ful to-morrow and thereafter to do any of 1. To issue free transportation on rail roads engaged in interstate commerce.

2. To practise degeption in labelling for

products or drugs.

8. To sell whiskey except under a label which tells the ingredients of the product and the age of such product. It will be lawful to-morrow and there

after to manufacture and sell denaturized alcohol without payment of internal rev-That provision of the new railroad rate bill which in accordance with an opinion of the Interstate Commerce Commission

forbids the acceptance of anything but money for transportation will become effective to-morrow. The wailing and gnashing of teeth has already taken place, Everybody is now prepared for the worst. Many members of Congress who have been out of town for the holidays got back to Washington before midnight to-night. The pure food act will go into effect to-morrow. Sufficient time will be allowed the interests affected to adjust themselves to the new conditions. The law

RECOVERED LOST RADIUM. Columbia Instructor Uses Novel Way to

provides that foods, drugs and liquors

hall be sold on their merits, the packages

holding them to bear labels stating in de

tail the constituents of such products.

Locate \$6,000 Worth. The peculiar properties of radium en-abled George B. Pegram, instructor in physics at Columbia University, to recover recently \$6,000 worth of the substance which Dr. Robert Abbé of St. Luke's Hospital believed that he had lost. Dr. Abbé was one day using radium in the treatment of a patient and dropped a tube containing 60 milligrammes of it on the floor. The radium ralt spread itself over the carpet and could not be seen. Dr. Abbé applied to Mr. Pegram, who is Columbia's

radium expert. Mr. Pegram visited the hospital and took with him several photographic plates covered with black paper. These he placed on the floor where the radium was believed to be. When the plates were developed he was able to see the exact position of the radium. He then had the section of carpet where the photograph had showed the salt to be taken up and with the dust under t carried to his laboratory.

Mr. Pegram shook all the dust out of

the carpet and by a simple chemical treatment recovered something more than sixty milligrammes of a mixture of barium and radium bromide which he believes contained most of the salt that was lost, The whole amount lost weighed only about

ROBS PULLMAN CAR ON AIR LINE. Virginia Bandit Terrorizes Passengers and Shoots Conductor.

PETERSBURG, Va., Dec. 31 .- A pessenge train on the Seaboard Air Line, which left here last night at 10:40 for Jacksonville. was held up about 2 o'clock this morning near LaCrosse by a masked white man.

Two white men got on the train north of Richmond and took seats in the day coach. man went into the Pullman car and took a seat in the smoking compartment. As soon as the porter entered the man drew a pistol and forced him to lock the car

The robber then proceeded to loot the passengers, many of whom were half

When the Pullman conductor appeared and attempted to arrest the bandit shot the conductor in the left arm. After shooting the conductor the robber pulled the emergency air brake, stopped the train and escaped to the woods, as did his companion in the day coach.

The robber is said to have got \$300 from one passenger, sums of money from other engers and a diamond ring valued at The railroad company has a large force

of men scouring the woods for the robber and his pai. ONLY A JACK LONDON ANARCHIST.

Seeking Quick Fame.

San Francisco, Dec. 31.—The Japanes who wrote the flery editorial in the Japanese, English paper, the Revolution, urging re-moval of President Roosevelt, the Mikado and all other rulers, has been identified as T. Takenehi, a Japanese boy of general

housework in Berkeley. Takenehi says he is a follower of Jack London. Takenehi says that when he first came to this country he was attracted by the reputation of London, and he was informed that such a reputation could be equired by any one who had the temerity to say and write startling things; and that he decided to make a similar career for

With this object in view he settled Berkeley in close proximity to the home London, and entered upon a study of the latter's works. He used to beat carpets with one hand while with the other he held an open copy of "The People of the Abyss." He says that when London was running for Mayor of Oakland he attended the candidate's lectures, and he thought they were better than any of his written works. He started The Revolutions as vehicle for conveying his opinions. He says the recent editorial was his first effort, and believes he has not heer a discording to his has not been a discredit to his preceptor.

Assistant United States District Attorney
Black says the utterances in publication
come under the law prescribing a portation.
Commissioner of Immigration North says
it will be necessary to prove that Takenehi
was an anarchist at the time he landed in untry, and that he has been here less than three years.

POST BUILDING SOLD. Bought by William Gow for \$300,000 -Built in 1874.

The Evening Post Building, at the sout east corner of Broadway and Fulton street, was sold yesterday by the Henderson estate to William Gow of Ward & Gow for \$300,000. The building is a nine story structure of red brick and brownstone, occupying a plot 63 by 102 feet. It was erected in 1874 by Isaac Henderson, who with William Cullen Bryant was joint owner of the Evening Post. Mr. Gow's purchase includes three abutting four story buildings side of Fulton street. Both plots are leaseholds, the fee belonging to the Reformed Dutch Church of America. The Evening Post has a new building under construction

GREAT BEAR SPRING WATER, "Its purity has made it famous."-Adu

SITUATION VAGUE TILL AFTER BEICHSTAG ELECTIONS.

us Cost of the Katser's Watton Has Wearled the People-Agr Classes Suffer, but Industry Has its Hands Pull—The Trust Lessen.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUR. BERLIN; Dec. 31.—The prospects for Germany in 1907 are by no means wholly bright. In regard to foreign relations they are clearer than they were in the first half of 1906, during which war was more than once threatened; at present there is practically no cloud on the horizon, although there is palpable sensitiveness in Germany's rela-tions with all other countries except Austria;

which may on very slight provocation awaken a storm. Respecting internal conditions, the propects are anything but reasouring, and it may well be that the empire is now at the zenith of her present cycle of prosperity. How 1907 will materialize depends largely

upon the election on January 25 and the mutual attitude of the Government and the ext Reichstag to one another. If the Government does not make considerable concessions to the popular desire for genuin-constitutional rule, then the widely preva lent pessimism due to the meat famine the all round rise in prices, notably of raw materials and the necessaries of life, and weariness of the almost frenetic well politik of the Kaiser, with its monetary demands and sacrifices for the fleet and colonies, will place it beyond the power of the people to endure the Chancellor's policy of fair words

and light phrases. All these things may easily bring about an internal situation of extreme gravity and even danger to the throne. At the same time it must be allowed that although agriculture is complaining, industry has its hands full, and will have them so until far into 1907. With hardly a single exception industrial enterprises, including banks, as wel as the more strictly commercial undertakings, have increased their plant, written off their debt, paid higher wages and declared increased div Owing to the lesson in trust and cartel organizations, learned chiefly from America there is, besides, a good prospect that this state of affairs will continue for some time. Nothing, however, of even the quasi rophetic kind can be said of the general

rospects of the empire for 1907 until the electorate has spoken a month hence. PERIL OF 1907.

Wasp Waisted Figures Threatened Corset and Dress Makers. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—The reintroduction

the hour glass figure for women is threat ened in 1907. Those professing to know say that dressmakers have for a long time been making zealous efforts to reintroduo the wasp waisted pattern of feminine humanity.

Now the sight of full round skirts ar hour glass corsets will, it is said, be the features of the coming season. who would be fashionable will have t reduce the increasing inches of the waist ascribed to the continued popularity of shirtwaists, straight fron vogue of athleticism.

POPE LEO'S TOMB NEARLY READY. Without Pomp This Month.

ROME, Dec. 31.—The Osservatore Romano publishes this evening an official commun cation stating the removal of the remains of Leo XIII. from St. Peter's to the new tomb in St. John Lateran will take place shortly THE SUN correspondent is informed by Cardinal Satolli, Archpriest of the Laterar Basilica, that the tomb will be completed

about the middle of January. The date of the removal has not yet be fixed, hence no arrangements for the ceremony have been made, but probably a plain hearse, followed by a carriage, will constitute the funeral cortège through the streets.

BANQUET TO MINISTER DUDLEY, President Pardo Expresses Deep Reg His Leaving Peru.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. ... LIMA, Peru, Dec. 31 -- President Pardo gave a farewell banquet at his private residence last night to the retiring American Minister, Irving B. Dwdley, who is to be succeeded by Leslie Combs.

The President in toasting Mr. Dudley said that the whole of Peru regretted his departure and that he would leave behind him cordial and everlasting remembrance.

RECORDER RESIGNS And Aldermen Expect to Make Meyer Recorder Next Tuesday.

Recorder Goff, elected to the Suprem Court, resigned yesterday as Recorder There has been some discussion as to who had the appointment of his successor, the Board of Aldermen or the Governor, so the Recorder took precautions.

Early in the day he sent his secretary William Benke, to Albany with his resignation, which was filed with the Governor at 1 o'clock. At the same time Thomas Kearney, the Recorder's confidential man, filed the resignation with the Board of Aldermen

The Aldermen met yesterday, but were unable to name the Recorder's successor for the reason that the resignation did not take effect until midnight. The Aldermen, relying on the Corporation Counsel's opinion that they have the appointment, will elect a Recorder on Tuesday of next week. The expecta tion is that James C. Meyers, the leader of the Republican majority, will land the place. He has the thirty-five Republican votes of the board pledged to him, and he has been assured of most of the M. O. L.'s

has been assured of most of the M. O. L.'s eleven votes.

The M. O. L. members, however, will meet in caucus to-day at the City Hall. Alderman Peters, the leader of the eleven, said yesterday that either Thomas Gilleran or Clarence J. Shearn would be the choice of the caucus. After the first vote is taken, he said, M. O. L. men will give Mr. Meyers enough votes to make the forty he needs. At the same time, Mr. Peters said yesterday, he and his followers would demand assurances that some of the measures which have been introduced by the M. O. L. members, particularly the one calling for an investigaparticularly the one calling for an investiga-tion of the local railroad companies, would have the support of the Republicans. Francis McAvoy will be the Tammany candidate, but Little Tim Sullivan intinated yesterday that there was no doubt

FLORIDA'S FAMOUS TRAINS 9:23 A. M. and 9:25 P. M. Unexcelled service via Pean. & Atlantic Coast Line R. K. Plorida infor-mation Bureau, Swalpr cor, 30th St. Ada.

OCKEPELLER GIVES \$2,817,000.

Than 630,000,000 From its Pennier.

CHICAGO, Duc. 31,—John D. Rochtfeller to-day sent to the University of Chicago gifts aggregating 63,517,000, Mr. Rocke-feller's gifts, including this one, aggregate more than \$30,000,000.

Of to-day's gift \$3,700,000 goes to permanent endowment fund, while for making up the annual deficit, providing for an increase of instructors' salaries and various other purposes the remaining \$217,-000 is given.

Including this \$2,700,000, the Univer of Chicago endowment fund ranks sonly to that of Leland Stanford .

NOT ONE EXECUTION Record of Sing Sing for 1906. of Patrick Helpel the Confer

Ossinino, Dec. 31,-In a conversation with newspaper men a few days ago Warden Johnson remarked that there had not been an electrocution in Sing Sing prison for seventeen months, and an examination of the records not only con-firmed this, but it also showed that 1906 was the only year since the introduc of the electric chair at Sing Sing that no

murderer was put to death. There are eight occupants of the death house who received stays after sentence was imposed. Albert T. Patrick, who received recently a commutation, suggested to his companions how they too might prolong their lives.

AKED LIKES MILLIONAIRES. lew Pastor of Fifth Avenue Baptist Church Says He Knows Rich Americans.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—The wording of the Rev. Mr. Aked's acceptance to the ministry of the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, New York, has created the impression that he intends to champion American millionaires. His utterances during a brief interview

confirm this impression.

He declined to discuss his acceptance in detail because he proposes to have a confidential conversation with his congregation on the subject, but he said:

"I have a very charitable view of American millionaires. I have seen them myself, and since coming in close contact with them I have formed a high opinion of them." The efforts to keep Mr. Aked in England have not been abandoned yet.

MOVING FROM CROW HILL. Last Batch of Prisoners Received-Prison

te Be Vacated en January 28. The Kings County Penitentiary, Brook lyn's venerable penal institution, received yesterday afternoon its last batch of prisoners. Beginning with to-day all Brooklyn prisoners who have hitherto been sent to the Crow Hill institution will be taken to

Blackwell's Island. So far about 800 prisoners have been removed from the penitentiary to the Island and the remaining 200 or more will be trans ferred before January 28, the date fixed for the vacating of the penitentiary.

TYPHOID STILL SPREADING. Sixty New Cases for the Day at Scranton

SCRANTON, Pa.; Dec. 31.—There was no improvement in the typhoid situation here to-day. The disease has continued to spread despite the optimism of the Bureau Up to 8 o'clock to-night sixty new cases

have been reported, with twenty-one deaths in forty-eight hours. Offers of aid and expressions of sympathy have been received by Mayor Dimmick from the authorities of Pittston and Wilkesbarre.

M. FLAMMARION DENIES That He Has Ceased to Believe In Continu-ance of Human Personality After Death. Boston, Dec. 31.—The report that Camille Flammarion, the French astronomer, is no longer a believer in the continuance of human personality after bodily death is emphatically denied by him in a letter just

emphatically denied by him in a letter just received by his American publisher, Herbert B. Turner & Co. of Boston.

"There is not one word of truth in the story," writes M. Flammerion. "The work that you are about to issue will, on the contrary; prove indisputably the objective reality of psychical phenomena. These phenomena are absolutely certain to every impartial observer who has been able to give sufficient time to their study. My work on 'Some Natural Unknown Forces' will contain the results of my experiments with the famous medium Eusapia Paladino and with the principal mediums since the time of Allan Kardee."

DIVED TO DEATH ON STEAMER. Stranger Plunges Head Foremost Deck Into Hold of the Merida.

While the loading of the Ward Line steamship Merida was in progress at Pier 13 on the East River last evening a man started up the skid from the pier. Before he could be stopped he reached the deck and plunged head first into the open hatchway at the top of the skid. He landed on his head twenty-five feet below in the hold and died before

hospital.

He had two pay envelopes in his pockets that had not been opened. One contained \$16.40 and was marked "P. McLaughlin." The other was marked "J. Murray" and held \$15.17.

IF STRATHCONA RESIGNS Sir Frederic Borden Likely to Be Canadian

Envey to Lendon OTTAWA, Dec. 31 .- While there is nothing definite yet about Lord Strathcona's resignation as Canadian High Commissioner at London, it is said he will ask to be relieved from responsibility, but it is certain that the Premier and Government will use every effort to get him to continue acting.
As to his successor, it is believed that
if Sir Frederic Borden, the present Minister of Militia, desired the post he could get it.

Statue of Gov. Welcott Unveiled in Boston Boston, Dec. 31 .- In the presence of a arge gathering of State officials the memorial statue of the late Governor Roger Wolcott of Massachusetts was unveiled to-day in the Hall of Flags at the State House

Needn't Illuminate Street Numbers. Mayor McClellan vetoed yesterday the ordinance providing for the illumination of street numbers on houses. The proposition, he said, was too harsh a burden on property owners, but he would accept an ordinance requiring the owners of all build-ings to have the street numbers displayed

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LL ROADS LEAD TO ALBANY

POLITICIANS AND LEGISLATORS PLACK TO THAT CITY.

nethy 3. Woodruff Arriver to See That the Legislature is Properly Organized -Servert Parsons in There Also Looking After Committee Assignments.

ALBANY, Dec. H.-Among the arrivals in the city to-day was State Chairman Timothy L. Woodruff. He and Mrn. Wood-ruff attended Squadron A 'aball at the local armory to-night. Mr. Woodruff declared that there would be no fri otion between the legislative and executive branches of the State Government and that svory-thing is going to be harmonious between

the two departments.

Herbert Parnons, president of the New York county Republican committee, also arrived to-day. The first thing he did was to call on Governor-elect Hughes at the Executive Mandon. Mr. Parsons will look after the committee asseignments of the Manhatten members and will try to secure

Manhatten members and will try to secure some places of importance; but he knows what it is to go up against Senator Rainse with a request for prefer ment.

Members of the Legislature are here is large numbers, there being but few absentees of the older members, and the new ones are being shown around and getting acquainted. There is only one contest for an office so far. That is for stenographer of the Senate. of the Senate. Despite the fact that James C. Marriott of New Dorp, Staten Island, who was stenographer last year, has the indorsement of Herbert Parsons and Presi-dent Cromwell of Richmond Borough, has is slated for defeat. George R. Me has a candidate in the person of Ge M. Shotwell of New York city. Mr. Si well was discovered by Senator Malby in New York city, and he brought him to Albany for reasons well unde seldom discussed in public.

The importance of the strife over stenographer's position is in the fact that the Raines-Malby combination intends to still hold on and run the Senate. Notwithstanding the rebuke administered by the people last November to certain Re publicans who again sought favors from the voters, this combination intends to go on in the same old groove. While the people did not show that they were opposed to Republican policies, they show that they had no use for some of the men who had been intrusted with the responsibility of executing those policies; but Senator Raines and his chique do not purpose taking that lesson to heart. sequently the prospects of accomplish any reforms or revising the existing of dition of affairs is not an alluring one if the Governor is to keep his hands off.

Albany has been cleaned up for the in auguration. Mr. Barnes's paper to-nigh makes much of the fact that the street have been cleaned. The Capitol is also clean and the Assembly chamber has been in the hands of the decorators for severe

Although Mr. Hughes is a Baptist and the son of a Baptist minister, his denomaugural ceremonies. The opening prayer is to be made by the Right Rev. Thomas M. A. Burke, Catholic Bishop of Albany. The Right Rev. William Croswell Doane, Episcopal Bishop of Albany, will pronounce the benediction. After the inaugural ceremony Gov. Hughes will hold the usual reception in the Executive Chamber and later in the afternoon there will be the re-

later in the afternoon there will be the reception at the Executive Mansion.

Gov. Hughes will undoubtedly announce a number of appointments some time to-morrow. To-night the most important theme of discussion is who the Governor will name for Superintendent of Public Works. All of the up-State men recognize the importance of this position, not so much on account of the fact that he will have the expenditure of the annument much on account of the fact that he will have the expenditure of the \$101,000,000 canal improvement fund and the vast canal patronage at his disposal, but as to the kind of man he will name. They are wondering if the new Superintendent will be a man who will turn out the machine/men new holding sinecures in this department, thereby breaking the power of the machine is a score of counties. Thus far Mr. Hughes has not permitted any official intimation of who he will name to come from him. The men who have conferred with him say they are as much in the dark as others. are as much in the dark as others.

Among the Assemblymen who have gathered here there is some concern over the committee assignments. The men who were told to step down and take less important assignments during the house cleaning period last winter now are clemoring for recognition. Aside from Assemblyman James T. Rogers, who made himself as objectionable and disagreeable as he possibly could, it is not believed that the programme of last winter will be adh to, and that, because of being "good" lest winter, the majority of them will get some of their old places back.

While all former members of the rail-

roads committee of the Assembly appreciate that the committee will not be good" as in former years, still they de to be on it, and Speaker Wadsworth finds that the most requests for sasignments from older members are for that committee. from older members are for that co It has developed, though, that Assembly man Edwin A. Merritt, who was offere the chairmanship of that committee,* is not burning up with a desire to take the place, yet he will get it.

The inauguration celebration started here ton-ight with a military ball given by Squadron A of New York at the armory of the Second Battalion of the Teth Regiment. Six hundred invitations had been issued to the society people of Albany, and there were notable guests presentate of from out of town, so that the event was a brilliant affair. The only drawback was the continuance of the rainfall, which had prevailed during the entire day and made going about a most miserable task. going about a most miserable tas

SHIELDED INHUMAN BOY. Girl Whose Dress He Set Aftre Dies Without

Revealing His Name. Mary Vigiano, 12 years old, of 5 Broc dale avenue, Newark, who was severely burned last Wednesday, died in the City Hospital yesterday morning. She was playing with other girls in front of her father's shoe shop when a malicious boy came along and set fire to her clothing. It was learned on Saturday that the girl knew the name of the boy, but ishe world not tell it, fearing her father would do thin some harm and that he would be according. some harm and that he would be arrested.

Burnett's Extract of Vantila